

1 S.176

2 Introduced by Senator Rodgers

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Energy; public service; renewable energy; definition of plant

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to amend the
7 definition of the term “plant” that applies to various programs related to
8 renewable energy.

9 An act relating to the definition of the term plant used for renewable energy
10 programs

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 30 V.S.A. § 8002(18) is amended to read:

13 (18) “Plant” means an independent technical facility that generates
14 electricity from renewable energy. A group of facilities, such as wind turbines,
15 shall be considered one plant if ~~the~~ either of the following applies:

16 (A) The group is part of the same project and uses common
17 equipment and infrastructure such as roads, control facilities, and connections
18 to the electric grid. ~~Common~~

19 (B) The Commission finds that the facilities should be considered
20 part of the same undertaking, based on consideration of whether there will be

1 common ownership or control of the facilities, contiguity in time of their
2 construction, and proximity of the facilities to each other ~~shall be~~, along with
3 such other factors as the Commission may consider relevant to ~~determining~~
4 whether ~~a group of~~ the facilities ~~is~~ are part of the same ~~project~~ undertaking.

5 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

6 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.